

August 13, 1981

REGION II

Request for CERCL Act Funding for the Perth Amboy PCB Problem (New Jersey)

Fred N. Rubel, Chief  
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Michael B. Cook, Director  
Office of Emergency & Remedial Response (WH-548)

Attached is a letter request for CERCL Act funding for a locale in New Jersey where PCB's in high concentrations have been found in clogged city sewers.

Ken Stoller has asked that this be telefaxed to your office at this time to initiate consideration for funding. This request was received by EPA on August 6, 1981.

Attachment

cc: H. VanCleave, ERD

bcc: John Frisco (w/attachment)  
Paul Elliot (w/attachment)  
Fred Rubel (w/attachment)  
Larry Diamond (w/attachment)  
Ken Stoller (w/attachment)

EPA CORRESPONDENCE &  
RESPONSES TO NJDEP  
and John Lyned.



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July 22, 1981

Kenneth Stoller, P.E.  
Superfund Program Manager  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - Region II  
26 Federal Plaza  
New York, NY 10278

Dear Mr. Stoller,

I am writing to request funding under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act for clean-up of the PCB situation in Perth Amboy. This request is made independent of any previous funding request made for this same site. CERCLA funding is sought, under the present request, to cover the cost of conducting an investigation to locate the source of the PCB's present in the sewage overflow on Garretson Avenue, Perth Amboy. The investigation will focus on the Duane Marine facility in Perth Amboy, which our preliminary investigations have delineated as a likely source of PCB's. Duane Marine, now out of business, was an oil clean-up contractor. The property is now occupied by oil tanks and piles of scorched oil drums left over from a July 1980 fire.

The additional funding sought is \$50,000. This amount will cover:

- 1) the cost of providing security for the Duane Marine property,
- 2) sampling and analyzing the contents of the tanks and drums on the property,
- 3) hiring appropriate construction equipment to unearth the sewer line on the property to check for PCB's.

These measures are required to confirm or eliminate this facility as a PCB source. It is of course necessary to locate and remove the source of PCB's if effective mitigation of the imminent hazard presented by the Perth Amboy sewer system is to be assured.

Please let me know within 30 days if we can expect funding under Superfund for this investigation.

Sincerely,

Paul A. Giardina  
Director, Division of  
Hazard Management

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